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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-15 are currently pending in the Application. Claims 1, 5 and 9 are independent claims. Claims 2-4, 6-8 and 10-15 depend from independent claims 1, 5 and 9, respectively. Claim 9 is currently amended.

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Previously Presented) A method for communication information in a server platform, the method comprising:

receiving at least one packet from at least one of a first switch blade associated with a first multiserver platform;

determining at least a server blade associated with a second multiserver platform for receiving at least a portion of said received at least one packet; and

routing said at least a portion of said at least one received packet to at least said server blade.

2. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said receiving further comprises receiving said at least one packet by at least one of a second switch blade associated with a third multiserver platform and a central switch.

3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 2, further comprising if said at least one packet is received by said central switch, communicating said at least a portion of said at least one received packet to at least a third switch blade associated with said second multiserver platform via at least one communication link that couples said central switch directly to said at least said third switch blade.

4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising processing said routed at least a portion of said at least one received packet by said at least said server blade.

5. (Previously Presented) A machine-readable storage having stored thereon, a computer program having at least one code section for communicating information in a server platform, the at least one code section being executable by a machine for causing the machine to perform steps comprising:

receiving at least one packet from at least one of a first switch blade associated with a first multiserver platform;

determining at least a server blade associated with a second multiserver platform for receiving at least a portion of said received at least one packet; and

routing said at least a portion of said at least one received packet to at least said server blade.

6. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 5, further comprising code for receiving said at least one packet by at least one of a second switch blade associated with a third multiserver platform and a central switch.

7. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 6, further comprising code for communicating said at least a portion of said at least one received packet to at least a third switch blade associated with said second multiserver platform via at least one communication link that couples said central switch directly to said at least said third switch blade, if said at least one packet is received by said central switch.

8. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 5, further comprising code for processing said routed at least a portion of said at least one received packet by said at least said server blade.

9. (Currently Amended) A system for communicating information in a server platform, the system comprising:

a first multiserver platform comprising ~~at least one~~ of a network interface and a first switch blade; and

at least a second multiserver platform comprising a second switch blade coupled to said first switch blade of said first multiserver platform.

10. (Original) The system according to claim 9, further comprising at least a third multiserver platform comprising a third switch blade coupled to at least one of said second switch blade of said second multiserver platform and said first switch blade of said first multiserver platform.

11. (Original) The system according to claim 10, wherein said first multiserver platform, said second multiserver platform and said third multiserver are coupled in a daisy-chain configuration.

12. (Original) The system according to claim 10, wherein said first multiserver platform, and said third multiserver platform communicate via said second multiserver platform.

13. (Original) The system according to claim 9, further comprising at least one central switch coupled to at least said first switch blade of said first multiserver platform and said second switch blade of said second multiserver platform.

14. (Original) A system according to claim 13, further comprising at least a third switch blade of a third multiserver platform coupled to said at least one central switch.

15. (Original) The system according to claim 14, wherein said first multiserver platform, said second multiserver platform and said third multiserver platform communicate via said central switch.